

## WITNESS SAYS HE "FEARED" LONE WAITRESS

Several people placed on the stand by the restaurant bosses in their attempt to block the efforts of the waitresses' union to have the injunction against them granted to Knab, Powers and Efting by Judge Baldwin testified this morning regarding their "fear" of the union pickets.

A. G. Shorley, a merchant tailor, 253 N. Dearborn st., testified that he stopped eating at Powers' restaurant, 79 W. Randolph, owing to his fear of "physical violence" at the hands of a girl picket. When asked if he saw the girl he was afraid of in court he pointed to Carrie Alexander, president of the union. Carrie Alexander was not a picket.

Alexander B. Phillips, salesman of the Consumers' Co., testified he merely stopped eating at Powers' because he didn't like to go to a place where there was trouble.

Ella Sandburg, cashier Union Market, 533 S. 5th av., said she stopped eating at Efting's, 172 W. Harrison, because a waitress "snickered at her."

The real joy of the morning was appearance of Anna Flack, an entertainer at the United States concert hall, State and Congress. She testified she was forced to stop eating at W. E. Anderson's, near her theater, because the union pickets laughed at her. Later she admitted she used to go and eat while in a negro makeup. However, she didn't think that would make her an object of mirth.

H. Shapiro, a tailor, 210 E. 31st, said he stopped eating at Powers', 202 E. 31st, because he was afraid some union men might see him and refuse to buy clothes from him.

Henry Allsworth, coffee salesman, 418 Rush; Edw. L. Holliday, 2129 Michigan av., and John A. Porter, 118 N. La Salle, all testified in favor of the restaurant owners.

Dudley Taylor presented Wm. M. Collins, manager of Henrich's, as a

witness to tell of his dealings with the waitresses' union. Attorneys for the girls objected, but finally permitted him to take the stand if he agreed to show a copy of the injunction granted Henrich's.

Certain actions of the managers of the Powers, Efting and Knab lunch-rooms which the girls could not endure was the cause of their leaving their jobs early last spring, declared one striking waitress.

Just what these managers did the girls are going to tell in Judge Baldwin's court this week, where the union and the restaurant owners are thrashing over an injunction against picketing.

"We'll tell everything, no matter how startling it is," one of the waitresses declared. "We shall show the public just what a girl has to stand for if she happens to work as a waitress."

## VILLA PRACTICALLY CLAIMS THE MEXICO PRESIDENCY

El Paso, Feb. 4.—Gen. Villa today practically proclaimed himself president of Mexico. He has assumed supreme political power and organized a civil government with himself as the head. Villa gave as his reason for assuming the supreme power of the republic that the interruption of communication has made it impossible to work in conjunction with the forces in the south. He declared the zone he controlled was so extensive that an organized government was necessary.

## STEAMER IOWA SINKS

The Goodrich line steamer Iowa sank today in Lake Michigan about two miles off the mouth of the river. It was caught between two ice floes. About thirty-five people were on board and escaped over the ice, after several came near breaking through and drowning. The fire tug and five other vessels went to the rescue. The steamship Racine is also in a dangerous little way from the wrecked Iowa.